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JANUARY 14, 1955

Mr. Mansfield (for himself, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Beall, Mr. Capehart, Mr. Chavez, Mr. Cotton, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Duff, Mr. Ervin, Mr. Flanders, Mr. Fulbright, Mr. George, Mr. Green, Mr. Hill, Mr. Humphrey, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Kefauver, Mr. Langer, Mr. Lehman, Mr. McNamara, Mr. Malone, Mr. Morse, Mr. Mundt, Mr. Murray, Mr. Neely, Mr. Neuberger, Mr. Pastore, Mr. Payne, Mr. Smathers, Mrs. Smith of Maine, Mr. Sparkman, Mr. Welker, and Mr. Young) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 1 Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives
- 2 concurring), That there is hereby established a Joint Com-
- 3 mittee on Central Intelligence to be composed of six Mem-
- 4 bers of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the
- 5 Senate, and six Members of the House of Representatives
- 6 to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representa-
- 7 tives. Of the six members to be appointed from the Senate,
- 8 three shall be members of the Central Intelligence Agency
- 9 Subcommittee of the Committee on Appropriations of the

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Senate, and three shall be members of the Central Intelligence Agency Subcommittee of the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate. Of the six members to be appointed 3 from the House of Representatives, three shall be members of the Central Intelligence Agency Subcommittee of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representa-7 tives, and three shall be members of the Central Intelligence Agency Subcommittee of the Committee on Armed Services 9 of the House of Representatives. Not more than four members appointed from either the Senate or the House of 11 Representatives shall be from the same political party. 12SEC. 2. (a) The joint committee shall make continuing 13 studies of the activities of the Central Intelligence Agency 14 and of problems relating to the gathering of intelligence 15 affecting the national security and of its coordination and utilization by the various departments, agencies, and instru-17 mentalities of the Government. The Central Intelligence 18 Agency shall keep the joint committee fully and currently 19 informed with respect to its activities. All bills, resolutions, 20 and other matters in the Senate or the House of Representatives relating primarily to the Central Intelligence Agency shall be referred to the joint committee.

23 (b) The members of the joint committee who are
24 Members of the Senate shall from time to time report to the
25 Senate, and the members of the joint committee who are

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1 Members of the House of Representatives shall from time to

- 2 time report to the House, by bill or otherwise, their recom-
- 3 mendations with respect to matters within the jurisdiction
- 4 of their respective Houses which are (1) referred to the
- 5 joint committee, or (2) otherwise within the jurisdiction of
- 6 the joint committee.
- 7 Sec. 3. Vacancies in the membership of the joint com-
- 8 mittee shall not affect the power of the remaining members
- 9 to execute the functions of the joint committee, and shall be
- 10 filled in the same manner as in the case of the original selec-
- 11 tion. The joint committee shall select a chairman and a
- vice chairman from among its members.
- 13 Sec. 4. The joint committee, or any duly authorized
- subcommittee thereof, is authorized to hold such hearings,
- to sit and act at such places and times, to require, by sub-
- pena or otherwise, the attendance of such witnesses and the
- production of such books, papers, and documents, to ad-
- minister such oaths, to take such testimony, to procure such
- printing and binding, and to make such expenditures as it
- deems advisable. The cost of stenographic services to re-
- 21 port public hearings shall not be in excess of the amounts
- 22 prescribed by law for reporting the hearings of standing
- committees of the Senate. The cost of such services to
- 24 report executive hearings shall be fixed at an equitable rate
- by the joint committee.

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- 1 Sec. 5. The joint committee is empowered to appoint
- 2 such experts, consultants, technicians, and clerical and
- 3 stenographic assistants as it deems necessary and advisable.
- 4 The committee is authorized to utilize the services, infor-
- 5 mation, facilities, and personnel of the departments and
- 6 establishments of the Government.
- 7 Sec. 6. The expenses of the joint committee, which
- 8 shall not exceed \$ per year, shall be paid one-
- 9 half from the contingent fund of the Senate and one-half
- 10 from the contingent fund of the House of Representatives
- 11 upon vouchers signed by the chairman. Disbursements to
- 12 pay such expenses shall be made by the Secretary of the
- 13 Senate out of the contingent fund of the Senate, such con-
- 14 tingent fund to be reimbursed from the contingent fund of
- 15 the House of Representatives in the amount of one-half of
- 16 the disbursements so made.

\$ 250,000

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Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

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- 1. Present arrangements adequate
- 2. Objections to Proposed Committee
 - a) Invasion of Presidential perogatives if looks at all (incl. 5412) activities of CIA
 - b) Duplication of Armed Services Committees functions if look at military intelligence agencies
 - c) Futile and fractional (1/8 of picture) if look at just CIA intelligence functions
 - d) Security considerations
 - i. Members themselves not involved under S2 because would be same persons as now receive briefing
 - ii. Staff would be new risk not enough legislative activities to keep out of mischief
 - e) Impairment of relations with friendly intelligence services
 - i. Importance
 - ii. Apprehensions expressed
- 3. Atomic Energy Committee considerations far different
 - i. Large domestic concern
 - ii. No existing committees handling
 - iii. Extensive legislation concerning
- 1 February 1956

